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## *Pre-Setup Inspection & Care Recommendations*

### Acceptance of Goods

- Upon Delivery/PickUp Receipt, Inspect tubes for defects:
  - o Cuts / damage to outside of tube/reinforcing
  - o Inspect internal liner
  - o Tape at ends of tubes are secure
  
- Store tubes correctly
  - o Out of weather
  - o Without deforming
  - o Secure from wind
  
- Tubes should be ordered and manufactured to the correct length
  - o If cutting is required, contact Ezytube to ensure correct tapes and retaping techniques are employed.
  
- Inspect tubes for defects prior to installing over reinforcing steel
  - o No damage to inside liner
  - o No external damage
  - o Ensure that the tape at ends of the tube is secure and effective.
  
- Inspect the tubes have a green QC passed sticker on the outside surface

### Set Up

1. Inspect the steel reinforcing to ensure that no tie wire, stirrups, reo bars, or other material is protruding that may scratch the liner of the form whilst installing.
2. Fit PVS conduits on outside of reo bars to ensure safety and quality of form is maintained as per order requirements.
3. Tube to maintain outer round shape at all times
  - a. Use round ply template on base and top of form
  - b. **IMPORTANT:** no external bracing to be applied to the tubes unless specified and agreed to by a certified Ezytube representative.

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## Pouring

Other than ensuring adequate care is taken in storing and placing a column forming system, the greatest variable on achieving a suitable surface finish on the column form relates to the type of concrete used, and the method of placing/pouring and vibrating the concrete.

- Inspect the columns for internal damage to the liner, or delamination of the tape at the ends of the column form.
- The vibrator should be placed at the centre bottom of the column prior to the concrete being poured.
- The concrete should be placed using a suitable hose/rubber capable of reaching the base of the tube/column form.
- As the concrete is poured, the rubber and the vibrator shall be withdrawn progressively in an even and upward motion, avoiding excessive downward motions of the vibrator.
- References that Ezytube can be poured at unrestricted pour rate relates to the tubes strength and ability to resist rupturing (check the maximum unrestricted pour heights for each diameter column form as controlled pours may be required for columns higher than the approved level.)
- NOTE: unrestricted/fast pours may result in reduced quality of surface finish of the column.

### IMPORTANT:

- DON'T** Direct concrete flow directly at the tube wall.
- DON'T** Allow the concrete to drop from a height of more than 2 metres (this is totally unrealistic).
- DON'T** Allow the vibrator to damage the tube, wall or liner either prior to or during the immersion in the concrete (look into: pressure build up due to concrete vibrating).
- DON'T** Place the vibrator between the tube and the outside of the steel reinforcing.

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